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July 18, 2002

The Honorable Paul O'Neill The Secretary of the Treasury Department of the Treasury 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, #3330 Washington, DC 20220

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Thank you for the Department of the Treasury's May 30, 2002 response to our follow-up letter dated February 8, 2002. Unfortunately, the response provided by Assistant Secretary Edward Kingman failed to address key questions asked of the Department in our letter.

Enclosed is a copy of our February 8, 2002 correspondence to you. It would very helpful if you would be so kind as to provide answers to our specific questions.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation on this matter. Please feel free to contact us, or John DaSilva with Chairman Kerry or Cordell Smith with Ranking Member Bond at (202) should you have concerns or difficulty understanding this request. Your response by July 31, 2002 is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Ranking Member

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